

nations in the old world richer, with larger commerce than ours. In its broad lands—its almost illimitable domain? No; Russia has millions of fertile acres to which no emigrant turns his steps; thousands, day after day, arrive on our shores. Is it in our schools, churches, palaces? In all these things there are other countries by which we are equal or excelled. I'll tell where alone, its greatness lies—the secret of its vitality, strength, hope and endurance. It is in its freedom. In this, that it has been and will be if it so please God and the people, a free, Democratic Republic. Lose that and all is lost. Better be shorn of its wealth—better it had never gained one rood of ground more than the thirteen original States—better it never manufactured a pound of cotton or a bar of iron—better we had no millionaires, no banks, no parks, no palaces—better now lose them all than that without which never could have been our heritage of freedom, our Constitution, our Democratic Republic. With this, all things are possible. Without this, progress is progress toward ruin, and even the highest developments of wealth and civilization are but the unhealthy flush of premature decay. How can we stop? Where can we find a guide? Retrace your steps. Take the Constitution and the Declaration of Independence for your guide; you will still be safe. Here are your guides; follow them. To us Democrats the path is easy and the guide familiar, for the Constitution and the Declaration of Independence have always been the principles of the Democratic party. To these principles the Democracy, if it be true to itself, must always be true. In this the Democratic party differs from other parties. It always goes wrong when it swerves from its principles. Other parties never go right unless they abandon theirs. What are these principles? That that government is the best that governs the least. That States and men thrive best—develop best what force is in them, when least checked, cramped, confined by legislation. That the States are equal, sovereign, and as such, each of them has rights as inalienable as those of the Union, which was founded by their consent; rights which cannot be forfeited, and which it is a revolution to deny or assail. The Constitution is a delicate machine. In the hands of those who understand its secret, and were educated to respect it, it works kindly and well. Played on by other fingers and ruder hands; turned to purposes foreign from the principles of its existence, prostituted to base ends, the subtle mechanism breaks; for it is a thing too noble to be made an engine of wrong. I am not speaking now in the interest of any party. It is an hour when even the highest level of party is too low for the crisis. True, I am a Democrat. But it is because I see in the principles of that party the true creed of the Republic. These principles never die. They will live, and will still save the Union; and to all men who are true and loyal to these principles we hold out a friendly hand. Let bygones be bygones. We are content to forgive much—to forget much; by forgetting and forgiving the Union can be saved. It shall be saved. It is the will of the people; and woe to them that dare gainsay it. To create the Union was a great achievement, and honor and gratitude will forever crown the names of the good and great men by whom it was accomplished. But more honor, more gratitude, more enduring love will bless the man or men in our day by whom the Union shall be saved. God save the Union—save it from the errors of those that are dishonest, and the machinations of those that are not so, and help us as he helped the true men of old, to save what they created—the United States—the great Republic of Republics, in whose cause we too "pledge our lives, our fortunes and our sacred honor."

#### Correct, of Course!

The Young Men's Christian Association, of Troy, N. Y., have recently opened rooms there, in which they have introduced such games as checkers, cards, dominoes and chess, claiming that such amusements operate to draw young men under the influence of the Association, and induce them to repeat their visits. It has created a terrible stir among the Puritans, who regarded a good hearty laugh as being inspired by the Devil, and a game of whist or checkers as played by Satan's fingers. Nothing has transpired in that vicinity for a long time that created any sensation like unto what this movement of the Young Men's Christian Association.

No hope is entertained for the recovery of Senator Lane.

## The Vinton Record.



"WHITE MEN SHALL RULE AMERICA."

**MARTHUR, OHIO:**

**THURSDAY, -- JULY 19, 1866**

### DEMOCRATIC STATE TICKET.

[Election Day, Tuesday, Oct. 9, 1866.]

For Secretary of State,  
**GEN. BENJAMIN LEFEVER,**  
of Shelby County.

For Supreme Judge,  
**THOMAS M. KEY,**  
of Hamilton County.

For Member Board of Public Works,  
**WILLIAM LARWILL,**  
of Ashland County.

Platform Adopted at the Democratic State Convention, Held at Columbus on the 24th day of May, 1866.

1. Resolved, That the Democracy of Ohio will adhere in the present and in the future, as in the past, with unfaltering fidelity and firmness to the organization of the Democratic party, and to its ancient and well settled principles as enunciated by Thomas Jefferson, the great Apostle of American Democracy, and as acknowledged and accepted by the party from the foundation of the Government; and especially of equal taxation, and of representation of all States to taxation.

2. Resolved, That the one great question of the day is the immediate and unconditional restoration of all the States to the exercise of all their rights within the Federal Union under the Constitution; and that we will cordially and actively support Andrew Johnson, President of the United States, in all necessary and proper means to carry out his policy as directed to that end; and especially in securing immediate representation in the Senate and House of Representatives, to the eleven States from which it is now unconstitutionally and arbitrarily withheld, unless on the degrading condition of inferiority in the Union, and of negro political and civil equality enforced by the Federal Government.

3. Resolved, That for the purposes above set forth, we will cordially co-operate in public meetings, conventions and at the polls, with all men, without reference to past party positions, who honestly and by their acts and votes, as well as by their professions, support the President in his policy of restoration as now declared.

**DEMOCRATIC COUNTY CONVENTION.**

The Democratic Executive Committee of Vinton County, in pursuance of a resolution adopted at the last Democratic County Convention of this county, held at McArthur, on the 21st day of August, 1865, declaring—

"That the candidates at the next annual County Convention be nominated by a Delegate Convention."

Do hereby call a Delegate County Convention, to be held at the Court House, in McArthur, on

**Monday, July 30th, 1866,**  
at one o'clock P. M., for the purpose of selecting candidates for the following county offices, to be voted for on the second Tuesday of October next, to wit:

One Auditor;  
One Treasurer;  
One Clerk;  
One Probate Judge;  
One Sheriff;  
One Coroner, and  
One County Commissioner.

The Democracy of the several Townships will therefore meet at the several places of holding elections therein, on

**Saturday, July 28th, 1866,**  
between the hours of two and five P. M., and elect delegates to said Convention.

The rate of representation is one delegate for every 25 votes cast for Gen. G. W. Morgan, for Governor, at the last County election, and one delegate for each fraction over twelve votes.

The following is the number of Delegates to which the several Townships are respectively entitled, viz:

Eagle ..... 3 Elk ..... 8  
Brown ..... 4 Vinton ..... 4  
Swan ..... 3 Madison ..... 5  
Jackson ..... 4 Clinton ..... 6  
Richland ..... 8 Harrison ..... 3  
Wilkesville ..... 4 Knox ..... 2

The Convention will also appoint Delegates to the Congressional and Judicial Conventions, unless further notice is given.

By order of the Committee,  
**D. B. SHIVEL, Sec'y.**

### DEMOCRATIC CONGRESSIONAL CONVENTION!

The Democracy and Conservative men of the several counties composing the Eleventh Congressional District of Ohio are requested to take the necessary steps to appoint delegates to represent their respective counties in a District Convention, to be held at the Court House, in Portsmouth, Ohio, on

tionary and disunion policy of the Radical Congress.  
**JAMES L. CORYELL,** of Adams,  
**J. E. HITCHCOCK,** of Scioto,  
**LEVI DUNGAN,** of Jackson,  
**E. A. BRATTON,** of Vinton,  
**R. C. DAVIDSON,** of Lawrence,  
**HENRY M. O'NDERDONK,** of Gallia,  
Democratic Congressional Committee.

### A JOHNSON NATIONAL CONVENTION.

The present "Union" Party is at an "End for all Practical and Beneficial Purposes."

The following call has been issued! A National Union Convention of at least two delegates from each Congressional District of the States, two from each Territory, two from the District of Columbia, and four delegates at large from each State, will be held at the city of Philadelphia on the 14th of August next. Such delegates will be chosen by the voters of the several States who sustain the administration in maintaining unbroken the Union of the States. Delegates are asked to agree:

First. The Union is perpetual and indissoluble.

Second. The equality of the States and the right of representation are solemnly guaranteed.

Third. No right of secession or exclusion.

Fourth. Slavery is abolished forever.

Fifth. Each State has the right to prescribe qualifications for its own electors.

Sixth. Each State shall have the right to manage its own domestic concerns inviolate.

It concludes with an appeal to every patriot to frown upon the actions of Congress, which can only rekindle animosities, and to encourage peaceful and conciliatory measures; but no delegate will take part or assist in such Convention who does not loyally accept the national situation and cordially endorse the principles above set forth, and who is not attached in true allegiance to the Constitution, Union and Government of the United States.

Washington, June 25th, 1866.

[Signed] **A. W. RANDALL,** Pres't.  
**R. D. LITTLE,**  
**G. H. BROWNING,**  
**EDGAR COWAN,**  
**CHAS. KNAPP,**  
**SAMUEL FOWLER.**

### Extraordinary Instance of Hydrophobia!—Radicalism Gone Mad.

A WONDERFUL poster has been obtruding itself on the amazed vision of our citizens for a few days past, headed, "VINTON COUNTY UNION CONVENTION." Union, forsooth! we thought that stale cry had played out long ago. What matchless impudence in the supporters of the present Congress—the backers of Sumner and Stevens—to call themselves "Union!" They were restoring the Union very fast, indeed, with the reckless expenditure of the people's money, and blood. The people opened their veins and their purses, in the fond hope of realizing that great end of restoring the Union. They were loudly assured that if they would only contribute freely enough, it might be done—it could, would, should be done. Poor, innocent, deluded, innocent people! Wonder if they thought that when the impudent political humbugs failed to perform what they promised, the audience would get its money back? If they did, they were worse sold than ever. Their blood and treasure is gone, and if they can see "the Union" which was loudly promised—which they anxiously expected—they must be gifted with wonderful powers of perception, for

"Optics strong has he, I ween,  
Who sees what is not to be seen."

And, now, the supporters of those who sold and betrayed a too confiding people, public flaming handbills, headed "Union Convention!" The force of burlesque could no farther go; and, as for impudence, there is a glut in the market hereabouts.

This flaming poster—this lie-bill—is the first exhibition of an attempt to keep the mass of the Union-lovers in ranks—to still keep control of those whom these leaders and their subordinates have fooled to the top of their bent. But it is a reckless effort of a forlorn hope. The game is up. The commanders of the ship have pulled down the national bunting and flung out the black flag of the pirate; and the crew, recruited by false pretenses, refuse to obey orders and propose to pitch the miscreants overboard.

"Let there be a Grand Rally of the loyal, honest men of Vinton County," says the poster. "Never fear, you shall have justice," said the Judge to the culprit. "Bedad, and that's just what I'm afeared of," answered the prisoner. If the loyal and honest men of Vinton county make a grand rally, what will become of the "Union Central Committee" and those whom it represents? "That's just what they are afeared of!" "H. C. Jones, Secretary," was indulging in a little "sarkasm," worthy of the immortal Artemus Ward, when he got up that famous poster. He is disposed to be a funny fellow. Well, if it will be a satisfaction, we may as well confess that he made us laugh! Whatever the author of that manifesto considered a very successfully executed feat of lying, or a peculiarly sharp piece of irony, he had printed in capital letters. The "go-aks" are in large capitals, while the lies, being a little ashamed

of themselves, have shrunk into small capitals. We hope the "Committee" will acknowledge that we have the "key" to this funny manifesto, and will excuse us for giving it to the public. We didn't like to keep the aforesaid key to ourselves, because the poster comes down severely on "those men who hold the keys." Evidently the "Union Central Committee," or most "any other man" of that crowd, (or clique or faction, to use the language of the poster,) would be glad to handle "the keys." Haven't you learned the tricks of your trade well enough to steal them, gentlemen? Or do "those fellows" hold on so fast, as to put even your pliant fingers at fault? We have heard of thieving scamps crying out "stop thief!" in order to avert suspicion from themselves before now, but this is the first instance, within our knowledge, when they were cool and saucy enough to grumble, publicly, because somebody was cruel enough to "hold the keys" too tight for them to get into the plunder.

### They Won't Vote for a Democrat.

Every day or two we are told that there are Republicans who are convinced that there should be a change in the Congressional delegation; that they see that since December last in Congress the Republican members have talked and voted for such laws and constitutional amendments as have special reference to the exaltation of the Negroes, and for jobbing schemes that will take any amount of millions of dollars out of the hard earnings of the people; that they see that at every step they have run counter to the President in his noble work of conciliation; that while he would have eradicated all cause for continued bitterness, they have persistently labored to increase and indurate the existing bitterness; and that yet the Republicans who thus feel and believe could not be induced to vote for a Democrat for Congress who would go into Congress with the determination of throwing the weight of his influence against all schemes of robbery and corruption, and in favor of the President's policy of conciliation and Union; that rather than so vote they would vote for a Radical—a known disruptionist—a voter and supporter of schemes by which they have been plundered and will continue to be plundered.

Now, we don't believe the people would act in such a manner. To believe so would be to impeach their good sense. Is a Republican in urgent need of a physician, will he send for a known quack, because he is a Republican, instead of for a skillful physician because he is a Democrat? Not by considerable. Is a republican in need of a first class lawyer, will he employ a lawyer of questionable capacity, inasmuch as he is a Republican, instead of employing a lawyer of acknowledged ability, because in his politics he is a Democrat? No. Even Dr. Dorsey, with his intense hatred of what is called "Copperheads" and Democrats, when the law took hold of him for alleged malfeasance in office, was prompt to engage the services of a "Copperhead" lawyer because of his undoubted ability, to help get him out of the clutches of the law. There was no friendship in the matter. Self-interest prompted him to do so. It was human nature speaking. Human nature is the same in the cabin as in the mansion. Even the trodden worm turns. When once any portion of the people are convinced that their rights and interests have been tampered with by their Representative, they will turn upon him, and will with far greater readiness vote for a Democrat in whom they can put confidence than for the Representative who had deceived them, Republican though he be.

No, gentlemen; you do gross wrong to the people. They mean to vote right and will vote right when fully advised as to which is the right way. We make allowance for prejudice. It is immensely strong; but self-interest is stronger. Another thing is proper to consider: Politicians at will cannot transfer voters hither and thither, just as they please. Now-a-days, when you say to the people so and so is the Democratic candidate, they generally understand that the candidate, is in favor of sustaining the President's restoration policy; is opposed to negro suffrage; is opposed to inequality in taxation; is opposed to the squandering of public lands for behoof of speculators; is opposed to robbing the people through prohibitory tariffs and kindred schemes. When you say to the people that so and so is the Radical candidate, they at once understand that he is opposed to the President's policy and in favor of every conceivable plundering scheme. Say to them that so and

so is a moderate sort of a Republican, and they'll come to the conclusion that he won't do to tie to—that he is neither piggy nor puppy; that neither the President nor the people can count on him.—[Statesman.]

The following exhibits the strength of the European armies:

AUSTRIA AND ITS ALLIES.	
Austria proper	Men.
Prussia proper	831,995
Bravaria	208,714
Wurtemberg	28,756
Baden	18,403
Saxony	50,792
Total	1,138,700

PRUSSIA AND ITS ALLIES.	
Prussia proper	747,371
Hanover	62,000
Oldenburg	7,500
Mecklenburg (numbered in Prussian army)	
Brunswick (numbered in Prussian army)	
Hesse Cassel	28,355
Hesse Darmstadt	20,500
Schleswig-Holstein	12,000
Total	807,736

The above figures show a great difference in the numerical strength of the respective belligerents, but it must be borne in mind that Austria will certainly have to contend against Italy, and perhaps be forced to keep a large detachment of her army in Hungary, in order to prevent another uprising against her authority in that country.

The total receipts into the Treasury for the year ending the 3d of June, will reach \$550,000,000.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS.

Persons of either party can have their names announced for ONE DOLLAR, payable in advance.

### DEMOCRATIC CONGRESSIONAL CONVENTION.

EDITOR RECORD.—Please announce the name of EDWARD A. BRATTON, as a candidate for Judge of the Court of Common Pleas, subject to the decision of the Democratic Conservative Convention of the Judicial District, to meet at Portsmouth, August 9th, 1866. MANY CITIZENS.

### UNION COUNTY CONVENTION.

Monday, August 6th, 1866.

EDITOR OF VINTON RECORD.—Please say to the loyal voters in Vinton County, that ROBERT SAGE, will be a candidate for nomination to the office of Sheriff, subject to the decision of the Union Convention on the 6th of August. MANY VOTERS.

### DEMOCRATIC COUNTY CONVENTION.

Monday, July 30th, 1866.

### PROBATE JUDGE.

EDITOR VINTON RECORD.—Please announce Waldo Murray as a candidate for the office of Probate Judge, subject to the decision of the Democratic Convention.

DEMOCRATS OF WILKES AND VINTON Tps.

MR. EDITOR:—Please announce the name of SAMUEL C. CASE, Esq., as a suitable candidate for Probate Judge, subject to the decision of the Democratic County Convention. Mr. Case is a gentleman every way qualified for the position, a reliable Democrat, and will perform the duties of the office with ability and to the satisfaction of the people. DEMOCRATS OF ELK.

EDITOR VINTON RECORD.—Please announce the name of RICHARD CRAIG as a candidate before the Democratic County Convention, for re-election to the office of Probate Judge, subject to the decision of the Convention, to be held on the 30th day of July, 1866.

### DEMOCRACY.

### AUDITOR.

MR. EDITOR:—Please announce the name of HENRY C. MOORE as a suitable candidate for election for County Auditor, subject to the decision of the Democratic County Convention. DEMOCRATS.

### SHERIFF.

EDITOR RECORD.—Please announce the name of J. J. SHOCKEY as a suitable candidate for re-nomination for the office of Sheriff of Vinton County, subject to the decision of the Democratic Convention.

### DEMOCRACY OF VINTON.

MR. EDITOR:—Please announce the name of MORRIS ALBAUGH, as a suitable candidate for Sheriff, subject to the decision of the Democratic County Convention.

### CLERK.

MR. EDITOR:—Please announce the name of JOHN W. COOPER, as a suitable candidate for County Clerk, subject to the decision of the Democratic County Convention.

### DEMOCRACY.

MR. BRATTON.—Please announce the name of GEORGE LANTZ, as a candidate for the office of County Clerk, subject to the decision of the Democratic County Convention.

### TREASURER.

MR. EDITOR:—Please announce the name of HENRY REYNOLDS as a suitable candidate for (Vinton) County Treasurer, subject to the decision of the Democratic County Convention.

EDITOR RECORD.—Please announce the name of DAVID FOREMAN, as a suitable candidate for re-election to the office of Treasurer of Vinton County, subject to the decision of the Democratic County Convention.

### COMMISSIONER.

THE VINTON RECORD.—Please announce the name of Henry Hoffines for Commissioner, subject to the decision of the Democratic County Convention, to be held in McArthur the 30th of July, 1866.

### CLINTON DEMOCRACY.

EDITOR VINTON RECORD.—Please announce the name of THOMAS MAGEE, of Brown township, as a suitable candidate for Commissioner, subject to the decision of the Democratic Convention.

### MARY DEMOCRATS.

## New Advertisements.

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### Sheriff's Sale.

**STATE OF OHIO, VINTON CO.,**

In Court of Common Pleas.

John Lowery, plff.,

vs.

Samuel V. Dodge et al., defts.

On Execution No. 1.

In pursuance of the command of a. f. a. No. 1, in the above cause to me directed from the Court of Common Pleas of the aforesaid county of Vinton and State of Ohio, I will offer at public sale at the door of the court-house in the town of McArthur in aforesaid county of Vinton, on

**Monday, July 30th, 1866,**

at the hour of one o'clock p. m. of said day, the following personal property, to wit: One Sulky.

Taken as the property of Samuel V. Dodge to satisfy an execution of aforesaid Court, in favor of John Lowery.

Terms of sale, cash in hand.

**JOHN J. SHOCKEY,**  
Sheriff V. C. O.

D. S. Dana, att'y for plff. July 19th 1866 prfa 4 60

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### UNION NATIONAL

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20 do do 17 00; 30 do do 25 50; 40 do do 35 00;

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July 19th 1866.

### Vinton Probate Court.

NOTICE is hereby given that A. W. Shuck, guardian of Harvey E. Johnson, a minor heir of William E. Johnson, deceased, has filed his accounts and vouchers in the Probate Court of Vinton County, Ohio, for inspection and that the same will be for hearing in said Court on Saturday, August 4th, a. d. 1866.